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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	,
LAWRENCE A. JOHNSON	,
Method to Preselect the Sex of Offspring	

The Honorable

The Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel Claims 1-8 and substitute the following:

9. A method for sorting mammalian sperm into X- and Y-chromosome-bearing populations based on DNA content, the method comprising:

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a) staining sperm collected from a male mammal with a fluorescent dye capable of selectively staining DNA in living cells by incubating the sperm with the dye at a temperature in the range of about 30°-39° C for a period of time sufficiently long for staining

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